

Particle-volume-fraction effect on width of re-shocked Richtmyer-Meshkov mixing

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The effect on re-shocked Richtmyer-Meshkov mixing by particles is ubiquitous in practical engineering problems. A primary factor of the particle-laden RM flows is the particle volume fraction α_p , which has been studied in the re-shocked RM flow only under dilute particles.¹ However, the systematical study of the particle-volume-fraction effect on re-shocked RM mixing is still lacking, especially on the most important feature of the mixing width (MW). In our work, three-dimensional implicit large eddy simulation (ILES) is adopted and the well-verified compressible multiphase particle-in-cell method² is utilized to address the problem. Six cases with different α_p are examined, and we present the following key findings: MWs will grow faster before re-shock as α_p rises, which attributes to additional vorticity production in the mixing layer resulting from gas-particle coupling. Besides, the presence of the particle phase introduces a continuous drag on the gas phase, resulting in a delay in the time at which re-shock occurs. Moreover, the growth rates of MWs after re-shock decrease as α_p increases. These findings highlight the importance of particle volume fraction of particles on re-shocked RM flows, and have potential applications on controlling RM mixing.

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